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HONGKONG, MARCH 22ND, 1910.

FOLLOWING upon the announcement of the Indian Budget proposals for obtaining additional revenue on account of the inevitable shrinkage in the revenue from opium, it was only to be expected that the Press of India should be found calling attention to the uncertainty which still exists regarding the progress China is making towards the fulfilment of her promise to stop the cultivation of the drug within the limits of her Empire. There are no reliable statistics available which would show at a glance what had been accomplished at a given date, and the latest report by the British Legation at Peking, published towards the end of last year, was not of a nature to dispel the suspicion prevailing in India that the opium cultivator in India is abandoning his traditional form of livelihood in pursuit of what may after all prove a chimera. In the next two years the area under opium cultivation in India will be reduced by nearly thirty per cent, and in the meantime, in the absence of official statistics in China, the hesitancy shown by the people and Press of India to accept the mere statements made on China's behalf regarding the progress so far made in suppressing the cultivation of the poppy in China, is certainly excusable.

Though it is now some months since the report of the British Legation went Home, there is no news of the acceptance of the suggestion it contained that two members of the Indian Service should be appointed to

make a tour of investigation in the opium-growing districts of China and report upon the subject. Meanwhile we can only form our opinions on the subject from the information casually coming to hand from private correspondents, or contributors to newspapers, and in this connection we may pertinently call attention to two extracts which we reproduce in this issue from the N.C. Daily News, of Shanghai, regarding the measures which have been taken in the provinces of Szechuan and Yunnan, which as producers of opium have heretofore stood at the top of the list. One correspondent, who has travelled for nine hundred miles in the province of Szechuan reports that he did not see a single poppy plant, though his route lay entirely through areas formerly devoted to poppy. From Yunnan the report is not so satisfactory, but on the whole there is not much room to doubt that China has made quite as much progress towards the suppression of opium cultivation as India has done—if not still more. The important consideration, it seems to us, is as to whether the progress made in China is of a permanent character. From the first there has been the feeling that the enthusiasm of the Chinese Government would prove but temporary; and that it would evaporate as soon as the people who were deprived of their means of livelihood rose up in revolt against the action of the Government, or as soon as the treasures in the opium-growing provinces began to suffer to any serious extent from the extermination of an industry which had been one of the main supports of the administration. But it is worthy of remark that though it is incontrovertible that very substantial progress towards the extermination of the poppy has been made in China, we have heard surprisingly little of anything in the nature of organised protests. It may be contended that it is too early yet to say that no trouble is likely to occur, but we are inclined to think that what has been accomplished by the governing authorities has been sufficient to bring any latent opposition to a head, and the conclusion forces itself upon us that the whilom cultivator of opium must have peacefully turned to the cultivation of other, though far less profitable, crops. Singularly little, too, has been heard about the effect of the change on the public revenues of the opium-growing provinces. Yet China cannot make such a revolutionary change any more than India without feeling the pinch somewhere. In India the general taxpayer has had to bear the financial burden of the moral regeneration of China. Possibly in China it is the dishonest official class that will bear it. That we hear so little in China about how it affects the taxpayer suggests that so far no serious extra burden has been imposed, and it may be that the improvements effected in the financial administration of the Empire counterbalance the loss of revenue from opium. The Board of Finance is obtaining now a power of control over the fiscal arrangements of the provinces which meet make for the greater purity of the administration. India, at the bidding of the Imperial Government, is making a sacrifice which is not, we fear, adequately appreciated by China. "One is bound to wonder," remarks an Indian contemporary, "if history will ever afford another parallel to the position of the Indian Government with regard to opium. For years past it has been one of the principal sources of revenue, and yet it is being sacrificed in the interests of another Power. It is a striking testimony to the integrity of the Empire that the pledge should have been given, or that having been given it should now be fulfilled to the letter." It is to be hoped that this lesson is not altogether lost on China.

A number of children lost or kidnapped have been reported to the police within the past few days.

H. E. Sir John Jordan, the British Minister at Peking, will be leaving for Home on April 2nd, travelling via Siberia.

At the last meeting of the Kulangyu (Amoy) Municipal Council the appointment of Miss M. Kraenzenburg as visiting nurse was approved.

Hongkong returned a clean bill of health for the week ended on Saturday, not a single case of communicable disease having been reported.

The German Minister to China, H. E. Count Rex, is expected shortly to visit Hongkong and Canton, and will afterwards proceed to Tsingtao en route for Peking.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the China Realty Company, Ltd., Shanghai, last week, it was decided to recommend that a dividend of 15 per cent. be paid for the year 1909.

The total output of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Company's three mines for the week ending 5th March, 1910 amounted to 22,749.23 tons and the sales during the period to 25,232.32 tons.

TELEGRAMS.

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DAILY PRESS."

A RIOT IN GREECE.

LONDON, March 21st

It is telegraphed from Athens that five hundred peasants smashed the windows of a train near Larissa.

Troops were called out, and they fired on the rioters, killing five and wounding 15.

The outbreak was due to an agitation among the peasants directed against Musselman landholders whose expropriation the Greek Chamber is now considering.

AMERICAN POLITICS.

THE OPPOSITION TO MR. SPEAKER
CANNON.

LONDON, March 21st.

The House of Representatives adopted by 191 votes to 135 a motion eliminating the Speaker from the Rules of Committee.

A motion by a Democrat to depose Mr. Cannon evoked an uproar, but was rejected by 191 votes to 155.

The result of the debate, however, has broken the power of Mr. Cannon.

[Mr. Fowler, of New Jersey, a Republican of the Speaker's own household of faith, introduced a bill to reorganize the Committee on Rules by leaving off the Speaker entirely, adding four Republicans and one Democrat instead of two Democrats and two Republicans, with the Speaker, as it is now. This would make the committee consist of six members of the dominant party to three of the minority party. The comment of an American paper is—"Bad enough for the minority, apparently, but it would be at least the rule of an elected majority against the present autocratic rule of a Czar."]

A Dairen resident posted a letter to Leith, Scotland, on 30th January last. Twelve days later, that is, on 11th February, a reply to this missive left Leith and arrived at Dairen twelve days later, viz., on the 23rd, making a total of only 24 days between the posting of the letter to Scotland and the receipt of a reply at Dairen. We (*Hongkong Daily News*) do not know if this is a record for fast postal service, but it is certainly another indication of what celerity the international system is capable of attaining.

A speedy arrest was effected at Hunghom the other night. Sargeant O'Sullivan was wakened from his sleep by the blowing of police whistles in Wuhan Street, and, proceeding to the place, found a man who had been caught trespassing in a house. He was taken into custody, and it was learned he had returned from banishment. On being brought before the Magistrate yesterday he was sentenced to one month's imprisonment for being found on the premises without permission and to six months' imprisonment for retarding from banishment, and in addition six days in the stocks.

HONGKONG AMATEUR BILLIARD
CHAMPIONSHIP.

The first meeting of the committee who are responsible for the arrangements for the forthcoming championship was held at the V. R. C. last night. The draw for the first and second rounds resulted as follows:

First Round,
Monday, April 4th.Mr. Cooper plays Mr. Phillips, "A"
Mr. McLean plays Mr. Haly, "B".Second Round,
Tuesday, April 5th.

Capt. Baker plays Mr. Height.

Mr. Rosa plays Mr. Bush.

Wednesday, April 6th.

Mr. Melvin plays Mr. Bishop.

Mr. Lashbrook plays Wianer "A"

Thursday, April 7th.

Mr. Shuster plays Wianer "B"

Mr. Ivanovich plays Mr. Cameron.

Friday, April 8th.

Mr. Thackstone plays Mr. Leung.

Mr. Carvalho plays Mr. Pitt.

THE FUNERAL OF MR. JAMES MCKIE.

A very large number of sorrowing friends attended at the Old Cemetery, Pahsien-hao, Shanghai, to pay their last respects to the late Mr. James McKitie, and so large was the attendance—numbering upwards of 200 people—that the Chapel in which the service was held was too small to accommodate all who were present and many had to remain outside during the first portion of the service. The coffin was completely hidden under a mass of beautiful wreaths which had been sent by the numerous personal friends of the deceased as well as by the representatives of the Clubs, Societies and Companies of which he had been a member. The burial service was impressively read by the Rev. A. J. Walker, M.A., and when the first portion was finished the coffin was carried to the grave by Messrs. L. Camara, B. A. Clarke, A. K. Cradock, J. E. Green, W. F. Ingles, E. McGregor, H. D. Morrison, and Capt. George Payne, preceded by chief mourners—Messrs. D. Landale, W. C. Murray, L. Millwood and H. D. Bain.

Among those present at the graveside were representatives of Consular Body, H. M. Supreme Court, the Municipal Council, the Municipal Police, the Municipal Electrical Department, the Shanghai-Nanking Railway, the Shanghai Club, Country Club, Race Club, and Cricket Club, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., and all the principal firms in Shanghai.

THE BANDMANN OPERA
COMPANY.

The brilliant success achieved by the Bandmann Opera Company with "The Arcadians" attracted a crowded house last night to witness the Company's first performance of "Our Miss Gibbs." Though we think those who have seen the Company in both pieces would state a preference for "The Arcadians," that is saying nothing in disparagement of "Our Miss Gibbs," which is a most delightful piece, and the Company played it with unequalled success, and fulfilled the highest expectations of those present. The audiences were roused to a great height of enthusiasm, and all the marks of cordial approval were lavishly bestowed. Of the usual musical comedy type, "Our Miss Gibbs" depends for its unparalleled success on the spirit and energy which the members of the Company infuse into their work. This is especially true of the principals, whose witty dialogue and banteries keep their hearers in the best of spirits throughout. The choral work is exceptionally well rendered and the solo are both amusing and pretty. The scenery is a revelation to theatre-goers here, and seldom has a piece been better mounted in Hongkong than last night's production. A very effective shop scene in the first act was kindly dressed by Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co.

The play related to the fortunes of Miss Mary Gibbs, a Yorkshire lass, who is an assistant at Garrod's Stores, where her phenomenal success in inducing customers to make purchases makes her employer proudly speak of her as "Our Miss Gibbs." Lord Enysford, who is engaged to Lady Elizabeth Thanet, falls in love with and is loved in return by Mary, to whom he represents himself to be a poor bank clerk. Lady Elizabeth, in turn loves the Hon. Mr. Hughie Pierpoint, an amateur criminal. Both the Earl of St. Ives, Lord Enysford's father, and the Duchess of Minister, Lady Elizabeth's mother, are anxious that their children should be married. When Mary learns the real rank of her lover as well as the fact that he is engaged to Lady Elizabeth, she refuses to have anything to do with him and invokes the protection of her cousin, Timothy Gibbs. Mrs. Farnham, an imperious woman of fashion, to whom Mary has done a good turn, takes Mary to a reception given to the Earl of St. Ives. In the meantime the Hon. Hughie Pierpoint has out of his pocket the silver Cup, belonging to the Earl of St. Ives. The Cup is taken away in mistake by Timothy Gibbs, and in turn finds its way in the possession of Slithers, a professional crook. Eventually the Cup is recovered, and the Earl finally consents to his son's marriage with Mary Gibbs, Lady Elizabeth finding a husband in the Hon. Hughie Pierpoint.

Miss Constance Leon filled the title role in a manner that left little to be desired and her singing and dancing was as pleasing as her acting.

But the fun of the piece centres round the doings of Miss Gibbs' Cousin Tim, a part filled by imitable Harry Cole in a manner which kept the audience convulsed with laughter all the while he was before the footlights. Mr. Dan Clifford, too, figured largely in the piece as the Hon. Hughie Pierpoint, and shared the honours of the performance. All the other parts were well taken, and the enjoyment of the audience was testified by demands for encore to nearly every song and dance.

The dances of the corps de ballet dancers were very much appreciated items.

The Company give another performance of "Our Miss Gibbs" to-night.

CORRESPONDENCE.

OBSEVANCE OF SUNDAY.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG
DAILY PRESS."]

Hongkong, 21st March.

SIR.—I have been observing for some time past that apparently no objection is made by the Government to public performances on Sunday, such as the matinees and evening exhibitions at the Cinematograph in this Colony. On the other hand, at the City Hall theatre such privileges have never been granted or allowed. The ships in the harbour cannot work on Sunday without a permit. Yet these cinematograph exhibitions have been allowed to go on without interference.

In my opinion they ought to be closed during Sunday and no exceptions whatever should be allowed. The observance of Sunday should be strictly maintained in the Colony, and I shall be very much obliged by your giving publicity to this letter.—Yours truly,

OBSERVER.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The I.G.M. str. *Princess Alice* left Shanghai on the 19th instant, at 5 p.m., and may be expected here to-day at daylight.

The N.Y.K. str. *Wakasa Maru* (European Line) left Singapore on the 18th instant, and is expected here on the 24th inst.

The M.M. str. *Oceanus*, with French Mail of the 27th ultimo, and mails from London of the 26th ultimo, left Singapore on the 21st instant, at 7 p.m., and is expected to arrive here on Monday morning, the 28th instant, and will probably leave for Shanghai and Japan on the same afternoon.

The C.P.E. str. *Empress of India*, which left here on the 26th ultimo arrived at Vancouver on the 18th instant.

The Yokohama agency of the C.P.E. received yesterday morning a wireless message from the H.M.S. *Empress of India* stating that all was well, and that the Commander hoped to reach Yokohama on the morning of the 25th instant. The message was despatched when the ship was 1,500 miles from Japan.

The *Empress of India* left Vancouver on the 11th instant.

The *Dowell* New York Line str. *Wray Castle*, arrived at New York on the 17th inst.

THE ORIGIN OF TYPHOONS.

A most interesting and valuable little treatise on this vexed question has been written by Mr. John I. Plummer, M.A., Chief Assistant at the Hongkong Observatory, and is now published by Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd. Mr. Plummer remarks that the main drawback to the science of Meteorology has ever been that it concerns itself with an enormous amount of petty detail (climatic Meteorology) to the practical exclusion of theory and of the wider features of the science. This exceedingly interesting treatise indicates very clearly how much is likely to be gained by a study of such wider features as the greater movements of the atmosphere. The theory Mr. Plummer advances is a novel one, but it is strongly supported by the circumstantial evidence he adduces. The conclusions at which he arrives are set out as follows:

1st. That the earliest beginnings of typhoons must be sought for on land, and not at sea.

2nd. That the great currents which have their birthplace in the Salween, the central parts of Asia, the plateau of Mexico, and perhaps in the interior of northern Australia, must not be neglected in the meteorology of the world because they are aerial, and are not felt at the surface. They must reach the sea level atoms and then produce results comparable with the intensity of the forces to which they owe their existence.

3rd. That one typhoon is never the cause of another, and that if a succession of them is seen to proceed from one limited area at intervals of a few days, as it is well known they are very apt to do, they are caused by separate impulses impressed on a permanent or slowly moving zone which we may, perhaps, call the meteorological equator of the globe.

4th. That a typhoon once formed does not tend to coalesce with another, but, on the contrary, rather rep

SUPREME COURT.

Monday, March 21st.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.
BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ
(PUSINE JUDGE).

PERJURY CASE ADJOURNED.

The case in which Kwan Yuk Chuen stands indicted for perjury was mentioned.

Mr. Elton Potter (instructed by Mr. F. Paget Hett (of Messrs. Brutton & Hett)), who appeared for the defendant, asked that the case be allowed to stand over until next Sessions. He had two good reasons for making this application. In the first place it was absolutely impossible for him to be ready for trial on the day the Crown desired to take the case, Thursday next, as this was a very heavy case, and a very important one. The man was committed only last Thursday. Counsel first saw a copy of the indictment on Friday, and he knew it would be impossible to be properly fitted for trial.

His Lordship—I don't think I have seen the indictment myself yet.

Mr. Potter said there was another reason. He was engaged in another case, as his Lordship knew. The Chief Justice had put off another criminal case in order to facilitate all the counsel engaged in it, but apart from that altogether, he could say positively that it would be impossible, as far as he was concerned, to be in a position to defend the accused properly on Thursday next.

The Attorney-General said he could not consent, but asked if it would suit his learned friend if the case were taken after the Conspiracy case next Wednesday week.

Mr. Potter did not see what objection there could be to the putting off of this case until next Sessions, subject to his Lordship's consent. The prisoner was on bail, and none of the parties would be in any way injured.

His Lordship—if taken after the Conspiracy case you will have several days.

Mr. Potter—I am still in a predicament. I mentioned to your Lordship that I am in the Administration action.

His Lordship—Most counsel are in the Administration action, but at any rate the leader is also in the Conspiracy case.

Mr. Potter—When the Chief Justice ceases to take the Conspiracy case he will sit in the Administration action. That is my difficulty. I am absolutely bound in the Conspiracy case, and I consider I am also bound to Mr. Hett.

His Lordship—Has your leader another junior in the Conspiracy case?

Mr. Potter—The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai. But I have to play a fairly important part in that case, even after the other case ends.

His Lordship—in that case I think it had better stand over. THE BAIL CAN BE REMOVED.

ARMED ROBBERY.

Wong Yau and five others were indicted on a charge of armed robbery and receiving at Lam Nai Wan on February 7th. Prisoners pleaded not guilty, and the following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. A. E. Crapnell (foreman), A. Jashran, A. J. Carter, W. H. Wirth, J. D. Osmond, J. Quine and O. Meyer.

The Hon. Mr. F. A. Hazelton, Attorney-General, instructed by Mr. H. L. Dennis, Jr., from the office of the Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and prisoners were undefended.

The Attorney-General informed the Court and jury that the six prisoners were charged with committing armed robbery at three houses at a place called Lam Nai Wan, near Tytan Tuk. The evidence against the accused was that they entered these houses armed with knives and choppers, and robbed the inmates of clothing, jewellery and money. This armed robbery took place on February 7th at 5 p.m. Shortly afterwards information was given to the police, who were sent out from Shaukiwan. At 7.20 the police found the whole of the six men coming from the direction of the village, and all of them, except the fourth prisoner, were found in possession of some of the stolen property. Witnesses would be produced, who would be able to identify a number of the prisoners. As regards the fourth prisoner, although no property was found on him, he was with the gang, and would be identified by at least four of the inmates.

After evidence for the Crown had been tendered, the prisoners made statements.

The first said—I asked the old man for a dollar or two for the new year. He said he had not got it, but would let me have some clothing. Then I left, and when near Shaukiwan, met the police, and was arrested. I don't know the customs in Hongkong. I am a farmer from the country.

The second stated—I went to look for a neighbour of mine, who was in a stone quarry at Stanley. In the eleventh moon he met me and said he was coming home with me for the new year. Then on the 28th day of the 12th moon I went to the stone quarry to look for him. He said he was not coming home, as he had not any money, but he told me to go home by myself, and he gave me a clock to pawn at Shaukiwan. When on my way to pawn the clock I met the police and was arrested. They told me not to run, as I had been committing armed robbery.

The third—I did not go to commit armed robbery. I went to the stone quarry to look for my elder brother, but as I couldn't find him I came back. Then I met an old man, who told me not to go, so I stayed. He said, "I am asking people for money; you wait, and I will come with you." We went away together, and he gave me a jacket, a pair of trousers, and a brass watch, saying he handed them over.

"You need not be afraid, you can take them away, and if anybody asks you, say they belong to you." When we got along the road we met the police, who searched us and found the things on me. They asked me where I got them, and I told them straight.

The fourth—I was looking for a classmate in Stanley, but found he had gone home for the new year, so I came back. When at the gap above Shaukiwan I met the police, and they told me not to go. They searched my person, finding nothing on me but a red girdle and fifty loose copper cents as well as \$1.60 in five cent pieces. I had a pair of guitars on, and 100 cash. Then I was thoroughly searched when I got to the Police Station, and nothing was found to the Police Station, and nothing was found to the Police Station.

The fifth—I live in Salwanke, Shaukiwan. At twelve o'clock an old uncle asked me to drink tea, and I went with the sixth prisoner. After drinking tea under asked me to go with him and get money. As we went he gave me three pieces of clothing. The three of us went out together, met the police, and were taken to the Police Station.

The sixth—I also live in Salwanke, Shaukiwan. The old man formerly lived in my place. He owed me \$2 for rent, so when I met him in Shaukiwan drinking tea I asked him for the money, and he told me to go with him and get it. I went with him and he gave all these things to me. I don't know what he was doing.

The jury, without retiring, returned a unanimous verdict of guilty.

His Lordship—The first prisoner to five years, and each of the others to three years imprisonment with hard labour.

The Attorney-General—I don't know whether your Lordship could set your way to command the conduct of Constable Sullivan in this case. He seems to have effected a brilliant capture.

His Lordship—Yes, he acted with great promptness and decision.

The Attorney-General—The Assistant Superintendent of Police is present, and I would ask that he bring it to the notice of the Captain Superintendent of Police.

LARCENY.

Ho Tik was arraigned on charges of larceny from Mrs. MacNider and Mrs. Sutherland of Kowloon. Prisoner pleaded guilty.

His Lordship—Was he employed at the house at the time?

The Attorney-General—No. He had been employed there, and left on January 11th.

His Lordship—What is the total value of the property stolen?

The Attorney-General—About \$1,212.

Prisoner was sentenced to three years' imprisonment with hard labour.

ARMED ROBBERY.

Chu Kam was indicted on a charge of armed robbery at Laichikok. Prisoner pleaded not guilty, and his case was heard by the same jury.

The Attorney-General stated that the prisoner was charged with committing an armed robbery at Laichikok with two others not in custody. The prisoner and his accomplices set upon the complainant and pressed him down. At this stage the robbers were seen by a number of people, and ran away. Unfortunately for the ends of justice, the other two got away, but the prisoner tripped while running, and was captured. He proposed to call a doctor to show that the complainant was very badly wounded.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and prisoner was sentenced to seven years' imprisonment with hard labour.

ALLEGED KIDNAPPING.

Lui I was indicted on charges of feloniously and unlawfully taking away and detaining by force a child under the age of fourteen years. Prisoner pleaded not guilty, and the following jurors were called:—Messrs. A. C. Dias (foreman), C. P. Pinto, O. Wagner, W. E. Rose, H. W. Page, S. Paul and G. B. dos Remedies.

The Attorney-General said the prisoner was charged on two counts with leading away and detaining a female child of the age of twelve. The girl was missed at 6 p.m. on the 27th of last month, and was found at 7.50 p.m. on the same date on the steamer Keong Sei in the possession of the defendant. His version of the story was that this girl followed him, but she stated that the defendant actually dragged her away. It would be a matter for the jury whether they believed the prisoner's statement or the girl's. The child was given to the female complainant by her mother, who was a cousin of the male complainant.

The prisoner in his statement said the girl told him she had been ill-treated. The female complainant formerly kept a brothel, which she had sold recently.

In view of this statement his Lordship withdrew the case from the jury until the Registrar-General had had an opportunity of making inquiries. The hearing will be resumed on Thursday morning.

ALLEGED ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE.

Young Sam and three others were arraigned on a charge of robbery with violence at Gough Street on February 16th. Prisoners pleaded not guilty, and the same jurors sat as in the previous case.

The Attorney-General stated that the four prisoners were charged with robbing two women at 11, Gough Street, on February 16th. The complainant's story was at 12.45 pm she was outside her cubicle when eight men came up and asked for a woman, whom they named. Complainant said there was no such person there, and then one of the men seized her by the throat, dragged her into a cubicle, and relieved her of two pairs of gold bangles and one pair of coral bangles mounted with gold. There was another woman in the kitchen at the time, and she also was assaulted. The only evidence against the four prisoners was the evidence of identity of the first witness. She went down to a Macao boat, and pointed out the first defendant as one of the men. Afterwards, when the second, third and fourth defendants were arrested she identified them. The question for the jury was as to whether they were satisfied as to the evidence of identification.

The jury returned a verdict of not guilty, and the prisoners were discharged.

The Sessions then adjourned.

HAMBURG LETTER.
WRITTEN SPECIALLY FOR THE "HONGKONG DAILY NEWS"]

February 25th.

TRADE IN 1909.

From the annual report of joint stock companies published so far and the dividends declared or proposed by others it appears that during the past twelve months has on the whole been remunerative. Banking business especially seems to have been satisfactory and the dividends in many cases do not exceed those of the previous year. It is in a great measure due to the low rate of interest ruling during the greater part of the year. Renewed activity in the issue market, however, made up for it, and since the Bank rate in Berlin and London, which with the

tourist traffic is gaining in importance every year, there were twenty departures to the North and the Mediterranean during the past year, and excursions to the West Indies and South America are now to be included in the programme.

The Norddeutsche Lloyd is likewise said to have been most successful last year in recovering much of the ground lost in the one before, but as the reserve funds had been nearly exhausted, the surplus will have to be applied to those accounts, and the payment of a dividend to the shareholders will therefore hardly be expected.

The recent conclusion of a provisional agreement on the tariff question with Canada has met with satisfaction, and it is hoped it may shortly lead to the signing of a commercial treaty for a certain number of years.

The Chairman—Very much the same.

The were no other questions. The Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and accounts as presented. Mr. A. McLeod seconded, and the resolution was carried unanimously.

The following resolutions were then carried unanimously:

Proposed by Mr. St. Croix and seconded by Mr. Young: that Messrs. A. McLeod, C. W. Wrightson, B. A. J. Murray, A. M. Marshall and the senior representative of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd. be re-elected directors for the current year.

Proposed by Mr. Barnes Moss and seconded by Mr. Barth: that Messrs. G. B. Wingrove and H. W. G. Hayes be re-elected auditors for the ensuing year.

The Chairman—That is all the business, gentlemen. I thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow.

SOY CHEE COTTON SPINNING CO.

THE CHINA FLOUR MILL CO. LTD.

The fifteenth annual general meeting of shareholders in the above company was held last week at Shanghai. Mr. A. McLeod presided, and in the course of his speech mentioned that "Sanday Creditors" stands at Tls. 217,935.07, representing, chiefly, the overdraft with the Company's bankers, December 31, 1909, and is covered by stocks valued at Tls. 218,216.47. All stocks of flour, meal, etc., have since been disposed of at prices above those at which they were valued when stock-taking. "Bills Payable," Tls. 4,053.76, have since been taken up, and represent cost of grain bags, etc. The Profit and Loss Account shows a balance in favour of Tls. 42,547.96, which the Directors proposed to deal with as specified in the report.

Profits as per agreement. 2,414.28

Machinery 3,000.00

Pay Dividend at the rate of Tls. 3.00

per share 18,000.00

Carry to Reserve 10,000.00

" forward to new Account 233.68

Tls. 42,547.96

SHANGHAI AND HONGKEW WHARF CO. LTD.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders in the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited, was held at the office of the General Agents, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. last week. There were present: Messrs. D. Landale (Chairman), H. A. J. Murray, A. McLeod, and C. W. Wrightson, directors; Messrs. J. M. Young, Barnes Moss, F. A. de St. Croix, D. Glass and O. S. Barff.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

After referring to the loss sustained by the death of Mr. J. McKie, the chairman proceeded:—The report and accounts have been in your hands for some days and with your permission we will take them as read. I am sorry to say that our year's working shows a further falling off in our earnings, which is due to the dull state and consequent greatly reduced volume of the Import Trade during 1909. Four years ago your Chairman pointed out that we had been turning away cargo, and that increased godown accommodation was necessary, and this has since been provided. There has been, however, no repetition of the congested state of the Import Trade, and the reduced quantity of goods coming forward has gone more rapidly into consumption.

Competition has also increased, not only from public wharves, but also from privately owned godowns, a form of investment which must have been a disappointment to many.

Although we have not yet been able to reap the full advantage of our increased godown accommodation, we have the satisfaction of knowing that we are now in a better position to handle a fair share of the trade of the port than we have ever been before. Turning to the accounts the working account shows a credit balance of Tls. 325,000, which gives us a credit balance of Tls. 231,221.83 in Profit and Loss account.

We have already paid an interim dividend of Tls. 3 per share, which leaves us with a balance of Tls. 173,221.73 to deal with, and your directors recommend that a final dividend of Tls. 4 per share be paid. Tls. 20,000 to be placed to Repair account and Tls. 9,221.83 carried forward.

Last year our repairs cost us Tls. 42,326.70, which leaves us with a balance of Tls. 7,173.50 at credit of repairs account, by adding Tls. 20,000 referred to above.

Your directors and general agents are of opinion that a sufficient sum will thus be provided to meet any expenditure that is likely to be necessary this year. I am glad to be able to tell you that, generally speaking, your wharves and godowns are in excellent condition, though it must be forgotten that a wooden wharf is not a very permanent structure and requires to be continually renewed.

During the year we have paid shanks on the entire frontage of your property on the side of the river and now hold title to the Conservancy Normal Line, before it was fixed for the year, after appropriating the sum of Tls. 8,075.06 premium received on sale of Debentures, amounted to Tls. 232,039.60, an increase of Tls. 12,897.02, as compared with 1908.

The Balance at credit of Profit and Loss account, after crediting the account with Tls. 4,306.44, carried forward after appropriation of the profits for 1908, and deducting the sum of Tls. 2,000, leave paid to the Foreign Staff at 173,221.73 to deal with, and your directors recommend that a final dividend of Tls. 4 per share be paid. Tls. 20,000 to be placed to Repair account and Tls. 9,221.83 carried forward.

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To carry forward to new account Tls. 160,366.04

To write off for depreciation Tls. 3,50 per share 34,000.00

To write off for depreciation of land and buildings 1,235.90

To write off for depreciation of Manufacturing and Distributing Plant 69,895.89

To write off for depreciation of Furniture 525.00

To carry forward to new account Tls. 1,656.79

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In terms of Government Notification No. 80 of 11th instant, the following days will be observed as BANK HOLIDAYS:

FRIDAY, 25th March.

SATURDAY, 26th ".

MONDAY, 28th "

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1910. [438]

AUCTION SALE OF FANCY JEWELRY

THE SALE will be continued TO-DAY (TUESDAY), the 22nd March, at 2.30 p.m., when the unsold and the remaining lots will be put up for Sale.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1910. [439]

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OFFICES in Des Voeux Road, Central

Apply to— MESSRS. PERCY SMITH & SETH, 5, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1910. [440]

AUSTRALIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, PORT SAID, SUEZ, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PEGANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship "AUSTRIA," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risks, into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

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Optional Cargo will be discharged here unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the office of the Undersigned before NOON on the 25th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, shafted and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, when they will be examined on the 24th inst., at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 25th inst. will be subject to rent.

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Agents.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1910. [43]

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Hongkong, 17th March, 1910. [418]

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1909. [1494]

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NOTICE

THE THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE-HOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 24th March, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statements of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1909.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to 24th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD.

General Agents.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1910. [369]

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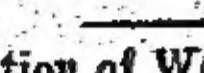
Hongkong, 4th March, 1910. [370]



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Hongkong, 9th March, 1910. [331]



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M. GEO. P. LAMMERT will, by Order of the Mortgagor, sell the undermentioned Property by Public Auction, at his SALES ROOMS, Dundell Street, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, 24th March, at 3 p.m.

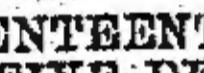
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Hongkong, 19th March, 1910. [429]

HONGKONG CLUB



NOTICE

THE SEVENTEENTH DRAWING OF SIXTY-FIVE DEBTENTURES of the HONGKONG CLUB (1896 issue, \$100,000 each) was held in the HONGKONG CLUB HOUSE, on FRIDAY, the 18th March, when the following Debentures were drawn for Redemption:

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and will be Payable at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on THURSDAY, the 31st March, 1910, in Exchange for surrender of same.

By Order,

JAMES CRAIK,
Secretary.

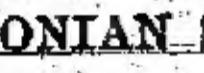
Hongkong, 12th March, 1910. [424]

DEVONIAN SOCIETY

THE ANNUAL DEVONIAN DINNER will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on SATURDAY, 2nd April, 1910, at 8 o'clock P.M. Devonians wishing to attend are requested to send their Names to—

M. S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1910. [426]



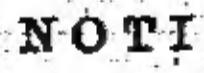
NOTICE

WE have This Day Appointed MR. ARTHUR NILSSON as our SOLE MANAGER for Hongkong.

OLOF WIJK & Co.

East Asiatic Agencies A.B., Ltd.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1910. [433]



NOTICE

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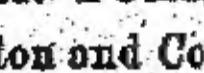
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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1910. [363]



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Hongkong, 1st December, 1909. [86]



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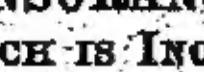
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Subscribed Capital 5,275,000

Paid-up Capital 1,212,500 0 0

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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 15th January, 1909. [908]

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Hongkong, 8th March, 1910. [378]

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NOTES AND NEWS.

THE CITY OF LONDON AND MR. ROOSEVELT.
It is expected that on the approaching visit to England of Mr. Roosevelt, the Corporation of the City will offer him a public reception in the Guildhall. For a step of this kind, says the Times, there is the precedent of General Grant, who after his Presidency visited the Metropolis and received the honorary freedom of the City in a gold box "in recognition of the distinguished ability with which he had governed his country and the eminent services he had rendered to the cause of civilization by maintaining amicable relations with foreign nations." The presentation was made in the Guildhall on June 15, 1877, and was followed by a State luncheon, at which the then Lord Mayor (Sir Thomas White) presided.

LIFE INSURANCE FOR £220,000.

Pittsburg is rejoicing in the possession of one of the most highly insured men in the world. This is Mr. John H. Jones, president of the Pittsburg and Buffalo Coal Company, who has just taken out an insurance policy for £220,000. Thirty-two years ago Jones, then aged 11, was a boy engaged in oiling goods trucks and doing small jobs about the mine office. He studied hard in his spare moments, and attended classes whenever possible, with the result that when 17 years of age he was placed in charge of a small mine at Monongahela. Within six years he had risen to the position of general manager, and now controls one of the most prosperous concerns in the country. The insurance policy is taken out in favour of his company, and is an eloquent tribute to his indispensability.

840 MILES IN A CAB.

An Englishman visiting Interlaken jumped into a local cab on January 18th, and told the driver to take him to Cannes, on the Riviera. The astonished driver got down from his perch and doubtfully examined his "fare." "It is all right," said the Englishman, "this is my name and address" — producing a pocket-book full of banknotes — "and I want to drive to Cannes, so hurry up." The driver pointed out that it was a very long journey, and that if the Englishman was in earnest he was quite willing, though he must obtain an extra horse. The Englishman agreed, and the long drivestarted. The carriage passed through Geneva, Grenoble, across the Jura Alps, over deep snow, through Lyons and Marseilles, and arrived safely at Cannes on February 1st, after having covered over 840 miles in fifteen days. The Swiss driver was handsomely paid by the Englishman, and after giving his horses a rest at Cannes, started on his journey back to Interlaken, where he recently arrived. He states that it was the longest, most interesting, and best paid drive he has undertaken in his life, and that he was gladdened of more Englishmen on the same terms.

COST OF THE PANAMA CANAL.

The revised official estimate of 1903 for the construction of the Panama Canal places the cost of actual construction at 213,671,400 dollars, to which are to be added certain general items for roads, building and repairing houses, cingangas, and railroad expenses amounting to \$4,995,000 dollars, in all, 297,766,000 dollars. The estimate of the Board in 1906 was: Cost of actual construction, \$16,421,000 dollars, to which was added 20 per cent., or \$2,284,210 dollars, representing general items; in all, \$19,705,210 dollars. Neither of these estimates included the cost of sanitation, Civil administration, and payments for franchises, as authorised by the Spooner Act of June 28, 1902. In the estimate for 1903 these three items are placed at \$20,653,000 dollars, \$7,382,000 dollars, and \$5,000,000 dollars; in all, 77,435,000 dollars. This, added to the estimate above, will make the total cost of the canal \$75,200,000 dollars, (\$75,040,200). Against this estimate a credit of 15,000,000 dollars is allowed on account of municipal improvements in Panama and Colon, loans to the railroad company, and miscellaneous receipts, but no account is taken this time for any allowance for salvage from the plant upon completion of the work.

EMPRESS EUGÉNIE'S DREAM OF HAPPINESS.

The Matin last month published an interview which the Italian journalist Signor Antonio Scarfoglio claims to have had with the Empress Eugenie at Naples.

"Between my past and present (the Empress is reported to have said) there are not only fifty years but quite ten centuries. What can I say, and to what purpose? I had a dream, and it was a great dream for the country which had welcomed and embraced me as sovereign. But this dream is dead — killed by destiny — and I have wished, and I wish to disappear with it."

"I am a poor woman who has lived much and suffered much. At present I seek peace and quiet, and oblivion in a tranquil corner of the world with beautiful flowers and brilliant sunrise where my soul may be dissolved little by little, mingling with sky and sea, thus dying before my weary body."

"I have loved France too much not to endeavour with all my strength to forget her."

The Empress would not speak of her son-in-law.

"I am as one walking backwards," she said, "facing the horizon which he had already crossed. I have renounced the future. I live in my youth and my past. All else is but a shadow — a dark shadow."

"I resemble older trees. They, too, like myself, live on the remembrance of their past beauty. But they are awaiting the spring, whereas I no longer have anything to expect. Even my sad winter is drawing to a close."

CONFESSOR OF AN APOSTLE OF MATERIALISM.

Higher education in America is attacked as wasteful and harmful by Mr. Richard T. Crane, multi-millionaire manufacturer, of Chicago, father of Charles R. Crane, who was recalled as American Minister to China a few months ago because of an interview that affronted Japan. Crane's views on education appear in a book he has published at his own expense, "College professors and teachers," says Mr. Crane, "are prepared to give advice on all subjects. As 2400-a-year teachers, they tell us how to turn out £1,000 and £2,000-a-year business men. Isn't it a bit strange, that it never has occurred to these smart college fellows to go into business for themselves? Why draw a small salary for telling young men how to draw his salaries if you are capable of drawing the big salary yourself. Higher schooling does not make either brains or ability. And as these are the only things that count in any life's activities, what use can we have for the higher schools? It is conservative to estimate that the expense of higher education in America must be at least £20,000,000 a year. And this enormous sum is literally thrown away, much to the injury of the country and its people. "This vast waste of money means blood drawn from the people, blankets taken from their beds, food from their tables, coal from their cellars, clothing from their backs — all in the line of sacrifice on the after of higher education. If the professors can tell us how to raise corn or build bridges or dig tunnels or run factories or manage stores, then in the name of common sense let us give them a chance to show us how these things should be done."

PRINCE HENRY OF PRUSSIA
IN LONDON.

ANGLO-GERMAN FRIENDSHIP COMMITTEE.

A deputation from the Anglo-German Friendship Committee was received by Prince Henry of Prussia at the German Embassy on the 22nd ult. to present an address welcoming His Royal Highness, the predecessor of General Grant, who after his Presidency visited the Metropolis and received the honorary freedom of the City in a gold box "in recognition of the distinguished ability with which he had governed his country and the eminent services he had rendered to the cause of civilization by maintaining amicable relations with foreign nations." The presentation was made in the Guildhall on June 15, 1877, and was followed by a State luncheon, at which the then Lord Mayor (Sir Thomas White) presided.

May it please your Royal Highness.—The Presidents, vice-presidents, and members of the Anglo-German Friendship Committee of Great Britain respectfully thank your Royal Highness for consenting to receive an address during your Royal Highness's visit to England, and desire to offer your Royal Highness a most cordial welcome to this country.

We recall with great satisfaction the immortal and uninterrupted peace and long-continued friendship which have existed between Germany and Great Britain, and the close and affectionate ties of relationship which have connected the reigning Sovereigns of the German States and the British Throne for so many generations.

We may refer to the immense and worldwide commercial interests of our two nations at the present time, and the common work of our Christian Churches. We count on our mutual indebtedness to the literature, science, and art of our peoples as affording also potent reasons for the maintenance of our natural and cordial relations.

We need not remind your Royal Highness of the numerous interchanges of friendly visits which have taken place during the past few years between the British and German civic, municipal, and commercial authorities, as also between the leading newspapers, editors, and journalists and the representatives of the manual workers who carry on the manufacturing industries of the world, as well as those who are charged with the guidance of our Christian Churches.

These international visits have been the influential means of drawing the peoples of our two Empires into closer friendship and sympathetic knowledge of each other.

We earnestly trust that in future all grounds for distrust and suspicion may be removed by a closer co-operation in international matters, and by a full recognition of the right of each nation to judge of their respective special needs and requirements for the protection of their several national and commercial interests.

We earnestly hope, moreover, that within the next few years this closer friendship and better understanding between the peoples of both Empires may lead to a termination of the present ominous rivalry in naval armaments.

We fervently hope and pray that our two nations may co-operate with the other Great Powers in promoting not only the peace but the moral and material advance of civilization throughout the world.

Sign on behalf of the Anglo-German Friendship Committee of Great Britain.

EGYLL, Hon. President.

T. P. NEWTON, Chairman.

C. ERNST TRITTON, Hon. Treasurer.

F. W. FOX, Hon. Secretary.

Those present included:

The Duke of Argyll, Lord Ardenby, Lord Lansdale, Lord Courtney of Penwith, Lord Stannmore, Lord Kinnaird, Lord Wardes; Sir John H. Konway, Sir Albert Spicer, M.P., Sir William H. Holland, Sir Ernest Tritton, Mr. J. Allen Baker, M.P., Mr. J. H. Dickinson, M.P., Mr. F. A. Baker, Mr. J. Herbert Tritton, Baron Bruno Schröder, Mr. Eric Haubro, Mr. F. Chaplin, Mr. A. F. Buxton, M. F. Dohobson, Sir Percy Bunting, Mr. T. P. Newman, Sir Edward W. Fitchett, Mr. Martin Holland, Dr. Lunn, Mr. W. Evans-Darby, Mr. Francis William Fox, and Mr. R. G. Canston. Prince Henry's reply was as follows:

Your Grace, my Lords, Gentlemen — I thank you profusely for having come here to present me with this address, the more so as you know that I am here on a private visit and not in any official capacity. I concur most heartily with the sentiments of friendship expressed in your address. I am sure that my beloved Sovereign and brother, the German Emperor, will be much gratified on learning its contents. I wish to add one thing more — it is that I sincerely hope your nation may in future have the same confidence in our Sovereign and Government as we have in your dearly-beloved and much respected Sovereign and your Government. Your Grace, my Lords, and Gentlemen, let me thank you again for your presence here.

Prince Henry, who was accompanied by the German Ambassador, was afterwards entertained at lunch at the German Atheneum Club by some 80 of the leading representative German merchants and bankers in London. There were formal speeches. Mr. Mochtar welcomed his Royal Highness in a few words, to which

Prince Henry made a brief reply.

DINNER AT THE GERMAN EMBASSY.

In the evening the German Ambassador gave a dinner at the Embassy in honour of Prince and Princess Henry of Prussia. The King and Queen and Princess Victoria were present, and the company also included —

Princess Louis of Battenberg, the Prime Minister, Lord and Lady Londesborough, Sir Edward Grey, M.P., Admiral of the Fleet Sir Arthur Wilson, Mr. Gladstone, Sir Frank Lascelles, Lady Edward Cavendish, Lord Rosebery, Lord and Lady Londesborough, Lady Dudley, Miss O'Gorman, Lady Saville, the Hon. George and Mrs. Keppel, Mrs. W. James, Lord Stifford, Captain Fortescue, Lady Gosford, Commander Cunningham Gralame, Commander von Usedom, Fräulein von Flanckner, Herr and Frau Kuhmann, Commander and Frau Wielemann, Herr and Frau von Haniel, and Major Osterberg.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

AWA MARU, Japanese str., 3,912 S. Ishikawa, 20th Mar. Shanghai 17th March, General Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
 CLARA JEBEN, German str., 1,103 F. Bendix, on 21st March—Pekhoi 18th and Holhow 20th March, General—Jeben & Co.
 COLOMBO MARU, Japanese str., 2,919 E. Combes, 21st March—Mgi, 16th March, General Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
 DEBWING, British str., 1,350, Jenkins, 21st Mar.—Saigon 16th March, Ricci—Chinese HUNAN, British str., 1,145, Wm. Beaufort, 21st March—Wuhu and Chinkiang 16th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.
 THESSALUS, British str., 4,296, J. Barwise, 20th March—Yokohama via Shanghai and Amoy 19th Mar., General—Butterfield & Swire.
 YUNNAN, British str., P. H. Roche, 21st March—Manila 18th March, General Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 ZAFIRO, British str., 1,615, R. Rodger, 21st March—Manila 19th March, Sugar, Hemp and General—Shewan, Tomes & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
 21st March
 Drifur, Norwegian str., for Swatow.
 Frithjof, Norwegian str., for Holhow.
 Hoiyang, British str., for Swatow.
 Hidem, German str., for Holhow.
 Hindoo, British str., for Tientsin.
 Huan, British str., for Canton.
 J. Diederichs, German str., for Haiphong.
 Onsan, British str., for Kobe.
 Patchaburi, German str., for Swatow.
 Sair, Norwegian str., for Chefoo.

DEPARTURES.

21st March.
 ANHUI, British str., for Canton.
 AUSTRIA, Austrian str., for Shanghai.
 CHANGSHA, British str., for Australia.
 CHONGMING, British str., for Taingtau.
 KIANG FING, Chinese str., for Canton.
 PONGTONG, German str., for Huchow.
 SUNGKIAN, British str., for Colva.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. Zafiro reports: Light to moderate wind and fine weather.

The British str. Huan reports: Light N.E. winds and fine weather to Brothers, thence variable winds and fog to port.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

March 21st.
 KOWLOON DOCK—H.M.S. Patria, Kiangtung, H.M.S. Jane, Knutsberg, Haletan.

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For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to SANDER, WIELE & Co., Agents, Prince's Building, Hongkong, 10th March, 1910. [13]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE (WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MALABAR COAST). PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR NEW YORK. "SIKH" On 29th March. FOR NEW YORK AND BOSTON. "DAICE CASTLE" On 12th April. For Freight and further information, apply to DODWELL & Co., Ltd. Agents, Hongkong, 11th March, 1910. [296-312]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD. FOR LONDON, ROTTERDAM AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship "FLINTSHIRE." Capt. G. C. Cundy, will be despatched as above on or about the 1st April.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Ltd. Agents, Hongkong, 3rd March, 1910. [358]

JAVA ASIATIC S.S. COMPANY. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. (Taking through cargo to Los Angeles)

THE Steamship "STRATHSPEY," will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, 2nd April, 1910.
 For Freight and further particulars, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 19th March, 1910. [430]

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of any vessel in the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commanding from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k." nearest Hongkong "l," midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m" and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "n," together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & REG.	SECTION.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SUNDA	Brit. str.	—	R. A. Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP	FLINTSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	G. C. Cundy	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 1st April.
LONDON, &c. via USUAL PORTS OF CALL	DEVANSEA	Brit. str.	—	H. Powell	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 2nd April, at Noon.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP	GLAMORGANSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	H. C. Norris	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 1st April.
COPENHAGEN & BALTIK PORTS	YEDDO	Swed. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	On 26th inst.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SAMIA	Ger. str.	k.	Muller	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINER	On 25th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SAXONIA	Ger. str.	k.	Bahls	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINER	On 24th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	KAGAWA MARU	Jap. str.	k.	C. H. Butler	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Daylight
MARSEILLES & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SLAVONIA	Ger. str.	k.	Habel	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINER	On 27th inst.
MARSEILLES, &c. via PORTS OF CALL	TONKIN	Fren. str.	k.	Charbonnel	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 29th inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES & HAMBURG VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	HITACHI MARU	Jap. str.	k.	N. Mathieson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at D'light
MARSEILLES & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SEPTIA	Ger. str.	k.	Franz	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINER	On 3rd April.
MARESILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	MIZAKAZI MARU	Jap. str.	k.	T. Murai	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th April, at D'light
MARESILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	KITANO MARU	Jap. str.	k.	F. E. Cope	MELCHERS & Co.	On 27th April, at D'light
MARESILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINCESS ALICE	Ger. str.	k.	P. Grisch	SANDER, WIELE & Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
NEW YORK	SIKKH	Duit. str.	k.	E. Tarobochin	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 29th inst.
NEW YORK & BOSTON	INVERIE	Duit. str.	k.	—	ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.	On 12th April.
SAN FRANCISCO	DACE CASTLE	Brit. str.	k.	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 2nd April.
VANCOUVER, B.C., TACOMA & SEATTLE VIA JAPAN	STRATHSPEY	Brit. str.	k.	J. Boyd	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 7th April.
YANKEE	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 20th inst., at 7 A.M.
YANKEE	MOSTAGNE	Brit. str.	2 m.	S. Iahikawa	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 24th May, at Noon.
YANKEE	AWA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	K. Kawara	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 29th inst., at Noon.
YANKEE	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	H. Yamamoto	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 26th April, at Noon.
YANKEE	TAOGAMA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	D. Lenz	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Noon.
YANKEE	BUYO MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	T. Sekino	MELCHERS & Co.	On 27th April, at Noon.
YANKEE	PRINCE SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	2 m.	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 15th April, at Noon.
YANKEE	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	H. Raesener	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 13th May, at Noon.
YANKEE	COBLENTZ	Brit. str.	2 m.	Rose Core	MELCHERS & Co.	About 2nd April.
YANKEE	ONSANG	Jap. str.	2 m.	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at Noon.
YANKEE	NIKHO MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	P. J. van Emmerick	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINER	On 13th April, at Noon.
YANKEE	WAKASA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	D. Dowson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th inst., at Noon.
YANKEE	TULITJAH	Duit. str.	2 m.	E. Forrester	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 10 A.M.
YANKEE	KWEILYANG	Brit. str.	2 m.	F. V. Blaser	MELCHERS & Co.	On 21st inst.
YANKEE	HUICROW	Brit. str.	2 m.	Y. Fuseno	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst., at 8 A.M.
YANKEE	PRINZ LUDWIG	Ger. str.	2 m.	Owen Jones, R.N.E.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst., at 4 P.M.
YANKEE	BUSUM MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	C. C. Talbot, R.N.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 25th inst.
YANKEE	ANEHU	Brit. str.	2 m.	C. Lindbergh	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINER	On 25th inst.
YANKEE	SARDINIA	Brit. str.	2 m.	Block	MELCHERS & Co.	Middle of April.
YANKEE	ALESTIA	Brit. str.	2 m.	A. Pander	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINER	Quick despatch.
YANKEE	CHINHUA	Fren. str.	2 m.	K. Sugii	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at 10 A.M.
YANKEE	OCEANIEN	Fren. str.	2 m.	H. Murayama	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at 10 A.M.
YANKEE	CEYLON MARU	Brit. str.	2 m.	Hodgins	DOUGLAS LAFRANCE & Co.	To-day, at 10 A.M.
YANKEE	CHENAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	W. C. Passmore	DOUGLAS LAFRANCE & Co.	On 25th inst., at 10 A.M.
YANKEE	ASSATE	Brit. str.	2 m.	Pennantmore	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	Today, at 3 P.M.
YANKEE	POOKHANG	Brit. str.	2 m.	P. H. Roche	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst., at 4 P.M.
YANKEE	LINAKA	Brit. str.	2 m.	R. Rodger	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 26th inst., at Noon.
YANKEE	ANDALUSIA	Brit. str.	2 m.	A. W. Cuttridge	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 29th inst., at 3 P.M.
YANKEE	TRANQUEBAR	Duit. str.	2 m.	S. J. Payne	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 1st April, at 4 P.M.
YANKEE	TILLIWONG	Jap. str.	2 m.	P. Fraser	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 2nd April, at Noon.
YANKEE	SOSHU MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	Weigall	MELCHERS & Co.	Middle of April.
YANKEE	DAIJI MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	F. Semblill	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, P.M.
YANKEE	SWATOW & AMOY	Jap. str.	2 m.	E. Combes	DAVID SASOON & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst., at Noon.
YANKEE	TAMKU VIA SWATOW & AMOY	Jap. str.	2 m.	S. H. Wilson	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 4th April, at Noon.
YANKEE	SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	Jap. str.	2 m.	Bradley	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 8th April, at Noon.
YANKEE	SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	Jap. str.	2 m.	W. G. G. Leek	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Ltd.	Quick despatch.
YANKEE	MANILA	Jap. str.	2 m.	H. Koops	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINER	—
YANKEE	MANILA	Jap. str.	2 m.	—	—	—
YANKEE	MANILA	Jap. str.	2 m.	—	—	—
YANKEE	SANDAKAN	Jap. str.	2 m.	—	—	—
YANKEE	KUDAT & SANDAKAN	Jap. str.	2 m.	—	—	—
YANKEE	KUDAT & SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	Jap. str.	2 m.	—	—	—
YANKEE	SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	Jap. str.	2 m.	—	—	—
YANKEE	SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	Jap. str.	2 m.	—	—	—
YANKEE	SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	Jap. str.	2 m.	—	—	—
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2nd March. To-day.

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Princess Alice.

EASTER HOLIDAYS.
Good Friday, the 25th, and Monday, the 28th instant, being Public Holidays, and Saturday, the 26th instant, being a Government Holiday, the Post Office will be open on each day for one hour only, i.e., from 8 till 9 a.m.

There will be one delivery and a collection of letters each day as on Sundays. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

In the event of the arrival of the French Mail from Europe on Monday, the 28th instant, the Post Office will open one hour only for the delivery thereof.

The *Prinz Ludwig*, with the German mail of the 23rd ultimo, left Singapore on Saturday, the 19th inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about to-morrow, at 1 p.m.

FOR	PER	DATE
Tientsin		Tuesday, 22nd, 9.00 A.M.
Swarow, Amoy and Foochow		Tuesday, 22nd, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore		Tuesday, 22nd, 11.00 A.M.
Kobe		Tuesday, 22nd, 11.00 A.M.
Tsingtao, Chefoo and Chemulpo		Tuesday, 22nd, 11.00 A.M.
Bangkok		Tuesday, 22nd, 1.00 P.M.
Macao		Tuesday, 22nd, 1.15 P.M.
Manila		Tuesday, 22nd, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai		Tuesday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Amoy, Weihsien, Chefoo and Newchwang		Tuesday, 22nd, 4.00 P.M.
Singapore, Colombo and Bombay		Tuesday, 22nd, 5.00 P.M.
Swarow, Singapore and Bangkok		Tuesday, 22nd, 5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo		Wednesday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Tacoma		Wednesday, 23rd, 10.00 A.M.

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SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, MARCH 18TH, 1910.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE	Paid Up.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.
BANKS.				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$960, sellers
National Bank of China, Limited	99,225	\$7	\$6	\$73, buyers
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$10, buyers
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	49, buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$5, sales
China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$81, sellers
PRINTED MATTER AND SAMPLES.				
Ewo Cotton Spng. & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 127.	
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$6, sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	64.
Laon-Kung-Mow C. Spin & Weav. Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 71.
Soy Chie Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 370.	
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$73	\$6	\$18, buyers
DOCKS AND WHARVES.				
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$600, Non.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$61, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$68	\$63	\$9, sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 115, x.d.
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	35,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 115, x.d.
Penwick & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$10, sellers
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$74, sellers
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	\$205.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$10, sal. & buy.
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$110, sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$85, sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	all	\$212, sellers
INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$170, sal. & buy.
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$109, buyers
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$92, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$335.
North China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	\$5	\$14.15.
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$910, sales
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$230.
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$102, sellers
Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	\$84, buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$30	\$22, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 106.
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$42.
MINING.				
Socété Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Frs. 250	all	\$625, buyers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	£1	18/10	\$6, buyers
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	all	\$131, buyers
Philippine Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$130.
REFINERY.				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$172, buyers
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$31, sal. & buy.
Robinson Piano Co., Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$350, sellers
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$75, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$30	\$32	sellers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$302, sal. & buy.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 prof.	£5	all	£5, £10.
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	£35, buyers
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$26, sellers
South China Morning Post, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$14.5, sellers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	\$5, buyers
STORES AND DISPENSARIES.				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$10.
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	23, sellers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	24, sellers
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	37, sellers
Weissmann, Limited	3,000	\$10	\$10	10, buyers
United asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900 ordly.	\$10	\$10	\$12, sellers
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$300.
RUBBERS.				
Bulganines	—	—	—	\$165 (S)
Pegohs	—	—	—	\$46 (S)
Alligars	—	—	—	34.
Anglo-Malays	—	—	—	110. buyers
Castileños, fully paid	—	—	—	275.
Consolidated Malaya	—	—	—	170.
Damassano	—	—	—	138.9 buyers
Highlands and Lowlands	—	—	—	7.3 prem.
Kamuning	—	—	—	200.
Kota Lumpur	—	—	—	100. buyers
Lisbury's	—	—	—	53.3
Lingga's	—	—	—	40. buyers
Sapong	—	—	—	91.3